

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended): A ~~system~~ computer comprising:

 a memory to store a database;
 a first logic unit linked with the database to establish a first communications connection with an information provider and to record information presented by the information provider in real time over the first communications connection, the database to store the recorded information;
 a second logic unit to provide an offer of the recorded information to a plurality of users;
and
 a third logic unit linked with the database to establish a second communications connection with a user in the plurality of users in response to the user accepting the offer and to deliver the recorded information from the database to the user.

Claim 2 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the database further stores a description of the information.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 2, further comprising a fourth logic unit linked with the database to establish a computer connection with an information provider computer and to receive via the computer connection the description from the information provider.

Claim 4 (original): The system as described in claim 3, wherein the computer connection is established through a web site accessible by the information provider computer.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 2, further comprising a fourth logic unit linked with the database to establish a computer connection with a user computer and to deliver the description to the user computer via the computer connection.

Claim 6 (original): The system as described in claim 5, wherein the computer connection is established through a web site accessible by the user computer.

Claim 7 (original): The system as described in claim 2, wherein the description includes a price for the information.

Claim 8 (original): The system as described in claim 7, wherein the price includes a rate per period of time.

Claim 9 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the first communications connection includes an audio connection.

Claim 10 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the first communications connection includes a video connection.

Claim 11 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the first communications connection is established over a computer network.

Claim 12 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the first communications connection is established over a telephone network.

Claim 13 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the second communications connection includes an audio connection.

Claim 14 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the second communications connection includes a video connection.

Claim 15 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the second communications connection is established over a computer network.

Claim 16 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the second communications connection is established over a telephone network.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 1, further comprising a fourth logic unit to bill the user for the information.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 17, further comprising a fifth logic unit to track how long the information is delivered to the user and the fourth logic unit bills the user based upon how long the information is delivered.

Claim 19 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the database further stores information about a user account.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 19, further comprising fourth logic unit to deduct an amount from the user account for the information.

Claim 21 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 19, further comprising a fourth logic unit to track how long the information is delivered to the user and a fifth logic unit to deduct from the user account an amount based upon how long the information is delivered.

Claim 22 (original): The system as described in claim 1, wherein the database further stores information about an account set up for the information provider.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 22, further comprising a fourth logic Unit to credit an amount to the account when the information is delivered to the user.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 22, further comprising a fourth logic unit to track how long the information is delivered to the user and a fifth logic unit to credit to the account an amount based upon how long the information is delivered.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The system as described in claim 22, further comprising a fourth logic unit to track how long the information is delivered to the user and a fifth logic unit to credit to the account an amount based upon how long the information is delivered minus a fee.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A method of information recording and delivering, the method comprising:

establishing a first communications connection with an information provider;

recording information in real time as the information being provided by the information provider over the first communications connection;

providing an offer of the recorded information to a plurality of users;

~~in response to a user in the plurality of users accepting the offer,~~ establishing a second communications connection with the user in response to at least one user of the plurality of users accepting the offer; and

delivering the recorded information to the user over the second communications connection.

Claim 27 (original): The method as described in claim 26, further comprising:

storing a description of the information provided by the information provider; and
delivering the description to the user.

Claim 28 (original): The method as described in claim 27, further comprising:

establishing a first computer connection with an information provider computer; and
receiving the description from the information provider over the first computer connection.

Claim 29 (original): The method as described in claim 27, further comprising:

establishing a second computer connection with a user computer, wherein the description is delivered to the user via the second computer connection.

Claim 30 (original): The method as described in claim 27, wherein the description is included in a list of information providers.

Claim 31 (original): The method as described in claim 30, wherein the list of information providers is delivered to the user in response to a keyword search.

Claim 32 (original): The method as described in claim 30, wherein the list of information providers is delivered to the user in response to a category selection.

Claim 33 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the first communications connection includes an audio connection.

Claim 34 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the first communications connection includes an a video connection.

Claim 35 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the first communications connection is established over a computer network.

Claim 36 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the first communications connection is established over a telephone network.

Claim 37 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the second communications connection includes an audio connection.

Claim 38 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the second communications connection includes a video connection.

Claim 39 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the second communications connection is established over a computer network.

Claim 40 (original): The method as described in claim 26, wherein the second communications connection is established over a telephone network.

Claim 41 (currently amended): A method of selling recorded information, the method comprising:

providing an offer of the recorded information to a plurality of users, the information previously being recorded in real time with a presentation of the information through ~~ever~~ a first communications connection from ~~with~~ an information provider, the offer including a description of the recorded information;

in response to a user in the plurality of users accepting the offer, establishing a second communications connection with the user;

delivering the recorded information to the user over the second communications connection; and

billing the user for the recorded information delivered to the user.

Claim 42 (original): The method as described in claim 41, further comprising:

establishing a computer connection with a user computer, wherein the description of the recorded information is provided over the computer connection.

Claim 43 (original): The method as described in claim 42, wherein the description is included in a list of information providers.

Claim 44 (original): The method as described in claim 43, wherein the list of information providers is provided to the user in response to a keyword search.

Claim 45 (canceled)

Claim 46 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, wherein the second communications connection includes an audio connection.

Claim 47 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, wherein the second communications connection includes a video connection.

Claim 48 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, wherein the second communications connection is established over a computer network.

Claim 49 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, wherein the second communications connection is established over a telephone network.

Claim 50 (currently amended): The method as described in claim 41, further comprising:
establishing a user account for the user, wherein billing the user includes deducting an amount from the user-account account.

Claim 51 (original): The method as described in claim 50, further comprising:

tracking how long the information is delivered to the user, wherein the amount deducted from the user account is based upon how long the information is delivered.

Claim 52 (canceled)

Claim 53 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, further comprising:
establishing an account for the information provider; and
crediting an amount to the account for the recorded information delivered to the user.

Claim 54 (original): The method as described in claim 53, further comprising:

tracking how long the information is delivered to the user, wherein the amount credited to the account is based upon how long the information is delivered.

Claim 55 (original): The method as described in claim 53, further comprising:

tracking how long the information is delivered to the user, wherein the amount credited to the account is based upon how long the information is delivered minus a fee.

Claim 56 (previously presented): The method as described in claim 41, further comprising:

establishing a computer connection with the information provider, wherein the description is provided by the information provider over the computer connection.

Claim 57 (currently amended): A machine readable medium having stored thereon a set of instructions, which when executed, perform a method comprising:

establishing a first communications connection with an information provider;
recording information in real time as the information being provided by the information provider over the first communications connection;
providing an offer of the recorded information to a plurality of users;
in response to a user in the plurality of users accepting the offer, establishing a second communications connection with the user; and
delivering the recorded information to the user over the second communications connection.

Claim 58 (currently amended): A system for information recording and delivering, the system comprising:

means for establishing a first communications connection with an information provider; and

means for record information in real time as the information being provided by the information provider over the first communication communications connection;

means for providing an offer of the recorded information to a plurality of users; and

means for establishing a second communications connection with a user in the plurality of users in response to the user accepting the offer to deliver the recorded information to the user.

Claim 59 (new): A method of information recording and delivering, the method comprising:

establishing a first communications connection with an information provider over a telephone line;

recording aural/vocal/speech information in real time as the information being provided by the information provider over the first communications connection;

providing an offer of the recorded aural information to a plurality of users through a website;

establishing a second communications connection with the user in response to at least one user of the plurality of users accepting the offer; and

delivering the recorded information to the user over the second communications connection.